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*Whereas, 2003 marks the fifty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the modern Jewish State of Israel;*

*Whereas, Israel was born as an independent nation on May 14, 1948 as a democratic Jewish state, built on the framework of liberty, justice and peace;*

*Whereas, since its establishment in 1948, Israel has fulfilled the dreams of its founders, who envisioned a vigorous, open and stable democracy;*

*Whereas, the centerpiece of Israeli democracy is its system of competitive, free and open elections, making Israel the only full democracy in the Middle East;*

*Whereas, the State of Israel has completed another fair, free and open democratic election, one that featured the participation of Jew, Christian and Muslim alike;*

*Whereas, as a true democracy, Israel gives voice and power to its people, and continues to do so as a matter of course even as the terrorism of the last two years has killed more than 700 of its citizens of all faiths, young and old, men*



*and women, soldier and civilian alike;*

*Whereas, today, we reaffirm the close bonds of friendship that have bound the People of the United States and the People of Israel together through turbulent times; and*

*Whereas, Israel stands united with America as beacons for liberty, democracy, and freedom: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

- 1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates and
- 2           salutes the State of Israel, one of America's most reliable and valuable
- 3           allies, on the occasions of its most recent democratically-held election
- 4           and on its fifty-fifth anniversary.
- 5           SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
- 6           transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Consul General of Israel to the
- 7           Midwest, Moshe Ram and to the Israeli Ambassador to the United
- 8           States, Daniel Ayalon.

